

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

This application is being filed concurrently with the entry of the National Stage (Chapter I) of International Application No. PCT/GB2004/002424 under 37 CFR §1.491 which claims the priority of Great Britain Patent Application No. 0313483 under 35 USC 119.

This Preliminary Amendment was considered when calculating the filing fee. Accordingly, the total number of claims specified on the Transmittal Letter is 12 and the number of independent claims is 1.

It is not believed at this time that any additional fee is due. As a precaution, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge to Deposit Account No. 02-2865 any additional fee required by this submission.

Respectfully submitted,



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